

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

Section 63.71 Application of)
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The Southern New England Telephone)
Company d/b/a AT&T Connecticut)
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)
The Communications Act of 1934, As Amended,)
To Discontinue the Provision of Service)

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SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF
AT&T CONNECTICUT

The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Connecticut applies for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act, as amended ("the Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.71, to discontinue Internet Network Access Service ("INAS") throughout its service territory in Connecticut.

As required by Section 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, AT&T Connecticut is providing the following information:

Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(1), (b)(2)):

AT&T Connecticut, 26 Washington Street, New London, Connecticut, 06320

Date of Planned Service Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

AT&T Connecticut plans to no longer offer this service to new customers on or after August 1, 2008, subject to Commission authorization to discontinue the service pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c).

AT&T Connecticut will continue to provide this service to existing customers until their contract expires or they are migrated to another service offering.

Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

AT&T Connecticut will discontinue this service throughout its service territory in Connecticut.

Brief Description of Type of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

INAS is a seven digit, single number, one-way, local exchange access service that utilizes a dedicated network for dial-up Internet applications only. AT&T Connecticut offers this service to CLECs who resell the service to dial up Internet access providers. INAS provides the ISP's customers with local calling access from all of AT&T Connecticut's End Offices within the State of Connecticut. All calls made to an INAS NXX are routed directly to AT&T Connecticut's Internet Overlay Network switch and forwarded to the ISP for Internet Processing. AT&T Connecticut is discontinuing INAS due to lack of demand. AT&T Connecticut offers INAS pursuant to FCC Tariff No. 39, Section No. 22.

The public convenience and necessity is not harmed by this discontinuance because CLECs and ISPs may obtain the same service functionality by purchasing ISDN PRI service in each local calling area or signing up with AT&T or an ISP for sub-leasing Wholesale Roaming. Furthermore, ISDN PRI service is available from a variety of providers including AT&T Connecticut as well as CLECs.

Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(3)):

AT&T Connecticut notified each customer by letter sent via US Mail on May 12, 2008. A copy of the customer notification is attached hereto as Attachment A.

Copies of this Application are being sent, first class U.S. Mail, to the public utilities commission and governor of Connecticut and also to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(4)):

AT&T Connecticut is considered a dominant provider with respect the services to be discontinued.

Questions about this application may be addressed to Toni Acton, AT&T Services, Inc., Director – Federal Regulatory, 1120 20th Street, NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 457-3039.

Conclusion:

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of this service since there are alternative service arrangements available to potential customers. AT&T Connecticut respectfully requests that the Commission approve its Section 63.71 Application to discontinue the provision of INAS in Connecticut.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment A

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RE: AT&T EAST REGION – Connecticut - Discontinuance of Internet Network Access Service (INAS)

Effective August 1st, 2008, pending Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approval, Internet Network Access Service (INAS) [Tariff F.C.C. No. 39 Section 22] will no longer be available in Connecticut for new customers. The introduction of Broadband internet access has led to a limited demand for this product. Therefore, customers with INAS on order or in effect prior to August 1st, 2008, will continue to receive service until their contracts expire or until they are migrated to another service offering e.g. Line Share One, ABBS, Frame Relay/ATM, and Wholesale DSL Transport or sub-leasing Wholesale Roaming from another ISP.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of AT&T Connecticut. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

AT&T Connecticut reserves the right to make any modifications to or to cancel the above information prior to the effective dates. Should any modifications be made to the information, these modifications will be reflected in a subsequent letter. AT&T Connecticut will incur no liability to the customers if such information, mentioned above, is cancelled by AT&T Connecticut or is not ultimately put into effect.



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Loretia Hill, do certify that I have on this day, May 13, 2008, served a copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of AT&T Inc. by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the following:

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